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Adoption of the report of the Committee on its fifty-seventh session

Draft report

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Addendum

I. Organization of the session

1. The Committee for Programme and Coordination held its organizational session (1st meeting) on 20 April 2017 and its substantive session from 5 to 30 June 2017 at United Nations Headquarters. It held a total of 15 formal meetings and a number of informal and "informal informal" consultations.

A. Agenda

2. The agenda for the fifty-seventh session, adopted by the Committee at its 1st meeting, was as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.
3. Programme questions:
   (a) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019;
   (b) Evaluation.
4. Coordination questions:
   (a) Report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination;
   (b) New Partnership for Africa's Development.
5. Report(s) of the Joint Inspection Unit.

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6. Provisional agenda for the fifty-eighth session.

7. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its fifty-seventh session.

Selection of reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

3. At its 1st meeting, on 20 April, the attention of the Committee was drawn to the note by the Secretariat (E/AC.51/2017/L.2), submitted pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2008 (LX) and General Assembly resolution 59/267, containing the information that, at its fifty-sixth session, the Committee had decided to defer consideration of the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Analysis of the evaluation function in the United Nations system" (A/70/686) and the comments of the Secretary-General and of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination thereon (A/70/686/Add.1) to its fifty-seventh session. At the same time, the Committee was advised that there were no further relevant reports of the Unit available to submit for consideration by the Committee at its fifty-seventh session.

Programme of work

4. At the same meeting, the attention of the Committee was drawn to the annotated provisional agenda (E/AC.51/2017/1) and the note by the Secretariat on the status of documentation (E/AC.51/2017/L.1) listing the documents for consideration by the Committee.

5. At its 2nd meeting, on 5 June, the attention of the Committee was drawn to the note by the Secretariat on the revised status of documentation (E/AC.51/2017/L.1/Rev.1) listing the documents for consideration by the Committee.

6. At the same meeting, the Committee approved its programme of work with the understanding that adjustments would be made by the Bureau, as necessary, during the course of the session to take into account the pace of discussions.

7. Following the 2nd meeting, informal briefings were held by the Secretary of the Committee, on organizational matters, by the Executive Officer, Department of Management, on logistical matters, and by the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services and the Director, Inspection and Evaluation Division of the Office of Internal Oversight Services, on evaluation issues.

B. Election of officers

8. At its 1st meeting, the Committee elected, by acclamation, David Stansbury (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland) as Chair of the Committee for the fifty-seventh session.

9. At the same meeting, the Committee elected, by acclamation, Vadim Pisarevich (Belarus) as Vice-Chair of the Committee for the session.

10. At its 11th meeting, on 9 June, the Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Rodrigo Otávio Penteado Moraes (Brazil) as Rapporteur of the Committee for the session.

11. The members of the Bureau for the fifty-seventh session of the Committee were:

Chair:

David **Stansbury** (United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

Vice-Chairs:[1]
Vadim **Pisarevich** (Belarus)

Rapporteur:
Rodrigo Otávio **Penteado Moraes** (Brazil)

C. Attendance

12. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented on the Committee:

Argentina	Namibia
Armenia	Pakistan
Bangladesh	Peru
Belarus	Portugal
Brazil	Republic of Korea
Burkina Faso	Russian Federation
Cameroon	Saudi Arabia
China	Senegal
Cuba	Ukraine
Egypt	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
Eritrea	United Republic of Tanzania
France	United States of America
Haiti	Uruguay
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
Iraq	Zimbabwe
Italy	

13. The following States Members of the United Nations were represented by observers:

Algeria	Lebanon
Austria	Mexico
Botswana	Morocco
Chile	Paraguay
El Salvador	Poland
Indonesia	Republic of Moldova

[1] In the absence of any nomination for the position of Vice-Chair from the African States and the Asia-Pacific States, the seats remained vacant at the fifty-seventh session of the Committee.

Japan	Spain
Kenya	Switzerland

14. The following organization was represented as an observer: the European Union.

15. Also present at the session were the Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development; the Executive Secretary, United Nations Economic Commission for Europe; the Under-Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services; the Under-Secretary-General for Safety and Security; the Assistant Secretary-General for the United Nations Environment Programme New York Office, the Assistant Secretary-General for Information and Communications Technology and Chief Information and Technology Officer; the Assistant Secretary-General for Internal Oversight Services; the United Nations Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights; the Deputy Executive Secretary for Programme Support, Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia; the Director and Acting Special Adviser on Africa; the Director of the secretariat of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination; and other senior officials of the Secretariat.

16. The following reports were discussed by videoconference: the consolidated changes to the biennial programme plan as reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019 for programme 10: Trade and development and programme 12: Human settlements; the reports of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluations of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia; the Economic Commission for Europe; the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights; the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees; and the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East; and the annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2016.

D. Documentation

17. The list of documents before the Committee at its fifty-seventh session is set out in the annex to the present report.

E. Adoption of the report of the Committee

18. At the 15th meeting, on 30 June, the Chair of the Committee introduced the draft report of the Committee (E/AC.51/2017/L.4 and Add. 1-24) and the draft provisional agenda for its fifty-eighth session (E/AC.51/2017/L.3).

19. At the same meeting, before the adoption of the draft report, the United Kingdom made an amendment to the draft report, by which the paragraph contained in document E/AC.51/2017/L.4/Add.18 would be inserted into section E of document E/AC.51/2017/L.4 as paragraph 20.

20. The Committee reaffirmed its role as the main subsidiary organ of the General Assembly and the Economic and Social Council for planning, programming and coordination. In that respect, the Committee agreed that all recommendations of the Office of Internal Oversight Services endorsed in the present report should be taken forward, as appropriate, in full accordance with the respective mandates of the bodies concerned.

21. At the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft report, as orally amended.

22. Also at the same meeting, the Committee adopted the draft provisional agenda for its fifty-eighth session and decided that it would be updated in the light of the resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its 2017 session and by the General Assembly at its seventy-second session.

23. Before the closure of the session, statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Cuba, Ukraine and the Islamic Republic of Iran. The Chair made concluding remarks.

Annex

List of documents before the Committee at its fifty-seventh session

A/71/6/Rev.1	Biennial programme plan and priorities for the period 2018-2019
A/72/84 and Corr.1 and 2 and A/72/84/Add.1	Report of the Secretary-General on consolidated changes to the biennial programme plan as reflected in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019
	Relevant sections (issued as fascicles) of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019
A/72/6 (Sect. 3)	Political affairs
A/72/6 (Sect. 12) and Corr.1	Trade and development
A/72/6 (Sect. 15)	Human settlements
A/72/6 (Sect. 29E)	Office of Information and Communications Technology
A/72/6 (Sect. 34)	Safety and security
A/72/73/Rev.1	Report of the Secretary-General on the proposed revisions to the Regulations and Rules Governing Programme Planning, the Programme Aspects of the Budget, the Monitoring of Implementation and the Methods of Evaluation (article VII and annex)
A/72/72	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on strengthening the role of evaluation and the application of evaluation findings on programme design, delivery and policy directives
E/AC.51/2016/2	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations on the programme evaluation of the United Nations Environment Programme
E/AC.51/2016/3	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the triennial review of the implementation of recommendations on the programme evaluation of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
E/AC.51/2017/2	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees
E/AC.51/2017/3	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
E/AC.51/2017/4	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
E/AC.51/2017/5	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Economic Commission for Europe
E/AC.51/2017/6	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations Department of Political Affairs
E/AC.51/2017/7	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Executive Office of the Secretary-General

E/AC.51/2017/8	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the thematic evaluation of the regional commissions
E/AC.51/2017/9	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
E/AC.51/2017/10	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) for 2017
E/AC.51/2017/11	Report of the Office of Internal Oversight Services on the evaluation of the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
E/2017/55	Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2016
E/AC.51/2017/12	Report of the Secretary-General on United Nations system support for the New Partnership for Africa's Development
A/70/686	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Analysis of the evaluation function in the United Nations system"
A/70/686/Add.1	Note by the Secretary-General transmitting his comments and those of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination on the report of the Joint Inspection Unit entitled "Analysis of the evaluation function in the United Nations system"
E/AC.51/2017/L.3	Note by the Secretariat on the draft provisional agenda and documentation for the fifty-eighth session of the Committee (Economic and Social Council resolution 1894 (LVII))
E/AC.51/2017/L.4 and Add. 1-XX	Draft report of the Committee
E/AC.51/2017/INF/1	List of delegations